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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2003, (hereinafter "Office Action"), Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, authorization is hereby given in the accompanying transmittal letter.